Pay Scales of Staff of Regional Rural Banks

1274. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be plaesed to state what is the State-wise and cadre-wise basic pay and gross emoluments of Regional Rural Banking staff as on date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): In exercise of the powers conferred by the second Proviso to Section 17(1) of the Regional Rural Banks Act 1976, the Central Government has laid down the posts in the Stae Government with which the Staff in the Regi-nal Rural Banks will be compared in the matter of pay and related allowances. The equated category of such post is given below:—

Post in the RRBs	Post in the State Govt. with which equated
1. Officer	Block Development Officer (Ordinary or lower Grade).
2. Field Supervisor	Extension Officer (Cooperation) or its equivalent post.
3. Senior Clerk cum Cashier	Upper Division Clerk of the District Authorities.
4. Jr. Clerk Cum Cashier	Lower Division Clerk of the District Authorities.

Since the payscales and related allowances of the equated posts mentioned above differ from State to State the basic pay and gross emoluments drawn by the RRB staff in various States are also bound to differ.

Benefits of Provident Fund and Bonus to Staff of Regional Rural Banks i

1275. DR. R. K. PODDAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to ' state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that the Regional Rural Banks sponsored by Punjab National Bank in Bihar are not allowing the benefit of Provident Fund and Bonus though there is statutory provision and specific order of the Government in this regard; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken by the Govt. In this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI) (a) and (b) It has been reported by the Punjab National Bank that all the four regional rural banks sponsored by it in Bihar are following the instructions of Government/National Bank for Agriculture and Ru'ral Development in allowing the benefit of provident fund and bonus to their regular staff.

Reward to Bank Employees for Resisting Attempts of Dacoities

1276. DR. R. K. PODDAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have allowed payment of rewards to employees for resisting attempts of dacoities in the Commercial Banks; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to allow the same reward to be paid in case of employees of Rgional Rural Banks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI); (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) he matter is under consideration of the Government.